

REMARKS:

A Notification of Non-Compliant Amendment dated 25 March 2005 ("Notice") indicates that the Amendment filed on 10 January 2005 ("Amendment") is considered non-compliant because of a failure to meet the requirements of 37 CFR § 1.121. The Notice requires correction of the Amendments to the Claims section of the Amendment to correct an inaccurate indication of claim status of several of the claims. Specifically, claims 14-26 are incorrectly identified as being "withdrawn" in the Amendment. Accordingly, in compliance with the provisions set forth in MPEP 714.22, a corrected section of the Amendments to the Claims is hereby submitted. The status of claims 14-26 has been corrected to reflect the true status of the claims as of the date of the Amendment. It is respectfully requested that the above corrected section of the Amendments to the Claims be entered and the objection to the Amendment be withdrawn.

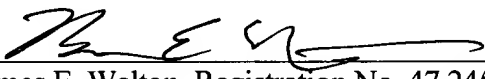
CONCLUSION:

No fees are believed to be incurred by the filing of this Response. However, the undersigned hereby authorizes the Director to charge any fees that may be required, or credit any overpayments, to **Deposit Account No. 500777**. If an extension of time is required to enable this Response to be timely filed and there is no separate Petition for Extension of Time filed herewith, this document is to be construed as also constituting a Petition for Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for a period of time sufficient to enable this Response to be timely filed. Any fee required for such Petition for Extension of Time and any other fee required by this document and not submitted herewith should be charged to **Deposit Account No. 500777**. Any refund should be credited to **Deposit Account No. 500777**.

Please link this application to Customer No. 38441 so that its status may be checked via the PAIR System.

Respectfully submitted,

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